



*Diamond State Detachment, 704
P.O. Box 676 – Lewes, DE 19958*

Minutes – 22 July 2021

Commandant Sharkey called the meeting to order at 1900. Sergeant at Arms DeMara posted the colors and led the Detachment in the pledge of allegiance. Chaplain Seiler offered the opening prayer.

OFFICERS PRESENT

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| Commandant | Pat Sharkey | Present |
| Senior Vice Commandant | Bill Kelly | Present |
| Junior Vice Commandant | Paul Hamman | Present |
| Judge Advocate | Jim DeMartino | Present |
| Adjutant | Tom Carter | Present |
| Paymaster | Harry Rush | Present |
| Chaplain | Mike Seiler | Present |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | Phil DeMara | Present |
| Junior past Commandant | Rich Corbit | Excused |

MEMBERSHIP: Senior Vice Commandant Bill Kelly swore in Marine William Reusing as a new member.

MINUTES: The minutes of the June 2021 meeting were accepted as published.

PAYMASTER REPORT: The Paymaster report was accepted as presented. Paymaster Rush confirmed that new accounts have been opened for the Veterans fund and the scholarship fund. The membership approved the creation of a \$250.00 incidentals fund, and a donation of \$500.00 to the Veterans hospice in Milford (Hospice Fest on August 14th).

MEMBERS SICK OR IN DISTRESS: Our faithful Corpsman and Paymaster Bob Ruotolo has passed away. Charter member Marine Chuck Sewell is reported to be dealing with melanoma. Past Chaplain Marine John Kitchenman. John and his wife will be moving to an assisted living facility near Frederick, Maryland in September.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Commandant: The Commandant reported on several past and upcoming fund raisers including our presence at the Nanticoke River Festival. See Fundraising below.

Jr. Vice Commandant: Marine Paul Hamman passed around a draft of the article on the Detachment Scholarship program for publication in the Cape Gazette.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Toys for Tots: Marine Jim DeMartino reported that Hub Caps band appearance at Post 28 resulted in \$301.00 in cash donations and a few toys.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Fundraising: The Marine Roses event at Outlet Liquors yielded donations of \$570.00. Upcoming events include the 50/50 event on July 31st at AL Post 28, followed by August 19th and August 26th. The Hospice Fest for Veterans in Milford will be on August 14th

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: The Detachment voted to approve a motion made by Marine DeMartino to allocate \$500.00 in the budget for marketing materials

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Commandant Sharkey with the appropriate ceremony at 1945 followed by singing of the Marines Hymn.

Respectfully submitted

Tom Carter, Adjutant
Semper Fidelis

CALENDAR

August 26th - Detachment meeting at
AL Post 28 at 1900. Officers meet
At 1730.